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Acting superintendent impressed with start to school year for Elba schools

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba Board of Education meeting held Tuesday evening, Aug. 20, acting superintendent Ted Watson gave an update on the start to school.

"We have met a lot since I got here, but we haven't met since school started," Watson said. "I don't know what I thought I was going to see...I don't know...but, it was good. That is from the elementary school on up through the high school."

Watson said he was super impressed with the how well the start of the school was for Elba. He said the elementary school, under the leadership of principal Kenya Martin, ran like a well-oiled machine.

"I don't know if people

really know how to appreciate what you've got going on here," he said. "It was amazing how they ran things to start the year."

Watson said he had not spent as much time at the high school as elementary, but he had spent a considerable amount of time, and he was impressed with the students.

"This is a system worth fighting for, and a school system that is worth staying in place, continuing to do the good work it is doing," Elba's acting superintendent Ted Watson said.

to you. I was impressed that conversation could be held in there, and you didn't have to shout. I am not used to that. That was new to me."

He specifically noted seeing one female student in the lunchroom with her Bible out. He said she was

reading it with other students around her, and no one was bothering her, nor picking on her.

"Everybody was accepting what was taking place," Watson said. "You've have a good school system here."

The acting superintendent said he winding down two months now at Elba, and he said he has enjoyed meeting everyone.

"I am very proud to be a part of this," he said "Not saying there haven't been some bumps in the road that needed fixing, but we have worked it out. It has been easy. I have been very impressed."

Watson encouraged the board members to love on the students and teachers like there is no tomorrow. He said it is important for everyone to let them know they are proud of them and there for them.

"This is a system worth fighting for, and a system that is worth staying in place, continuing to do the good work it is doing," Watson said.

CCSO deputies speak on Project Lifesaver

If a person with Alzheimer's disease, autism, Down Syndrome, traumatic brain injuries or cognitive impairments should wander away from a caregiver the Coffee County Sheriff's Department can track them more easily through a program called Project Lifesaver.

Project Lifesaver was started in 1999 by Virginia resident Gene Saunders. Project Lifesaver has used radio tracking and locating technology to save the lives of more than 5,000 people who wandered away and became lost.

Project Lifesaver is funded in Coffee County by the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise. This group works with Coffee County Sheriff Scott Byrd and his deputies to make sure people who wander away in Coffee County can be found quickly and efficiently.

The Sheriff's Department is provided wrist or ankle bracelets equipped with a small transmitter that emits a signal that law enforcement officials can track when someone goes missing. The Luncheon Pilot Club provides funding for the bracelets, batteries for the bracelets and necessary tracking equipment to make sure no one in Coffee County who has a brain-related disease can wander off and not be found. This is a free service for any caregiver of a person who has the listed diseases.

When Project Lifesaver gets a request from a caregiver, the caregiver will be given a box and bracelet.

Calvin Bookout, a Reserve Deputy with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, is in charge of the Project Lifesaver Program and he ensures that each wrist band is checked monthly and the batteries are still working. Tom Iten, another Reserve Deputy works with him.

If a person wanders away and gets lost, Bookout has the capability of tracking that person. It's all about



Project Lifesaver in Coffee County is a joint effort between the Coffee County Sheriff's Office and the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise. Reserve Deputy Tom Iten (left) recently spoke to LPCE members on the project. Also pictured is LPCE president Debbie Shelton.

finding a person missing as soon as possible, as that sometimes means the difference between life and death.

Statistics on Alzheimer patients indicate 60 percent of people with the disorder wander and become lost. 75 percent are repeat wanderers and 46 persons may die if not found within 24 hours. Using the advanced special rescue techniques, Project Lifesaver has been instrumental in increasing efficiency of public safety agencies by reducing costs, saving valuable man-hours, and providing preventive help for persons in need.

"We want people to know that if they are worried about their family member wandering off or just going out of the house, this is a perfect way to keep track of them and not panic if they wander off" said Luncheon Pilot Club president Debbie Shelton. "This is a free service that the Luncheon Pilot Club of Enterprise sponsors and it doesn't cost the public anything for their peace of mind."

To find out more information or for someone to be considered for a bracelet, call Deputy Calvin Bookout at the Coffee County Sheriff's

Coffee County Landfill will be closed for Labor Day; no county garbage pickup Monday

During the Coffee County Commission meeting Monday morning, Aug. 26, environmental services director Mike Thornton said the county landfill would be closed Monday, Sept. 2, for Labor Day.

Due to the holiday, Thornton said residential garbage pickup for all county customers would shift to the right one day for the week [i.e., Monday's pickup will move to Tuesday, Tuesday's pickup will move to Wednesday, and so on for the rest of the week].

Further, all county offices will be closed Monday for the holiday.



ELBA'S ALVIN HENDERSON [2], the Auburn University verbal commit who set the single season state record for rushing yards in a season last year, opened the 2024 season last Friday, Aug. 23, with 325 yards rushing and five touchdowns on just 19 carries in a 50-22 win over Luverne - his fourth straight 300-yard game. Henderson scored on touchdown runs of 67, 35, 51, 34 yards plus a 1-yard TD run. He also had three kick returns for 48 yards and a punt return for 5 yards. His 325 rushing yards pushed his career total to 7,599, moving him into ninth place all-time as he surpassed Williamson's Jamarcus Russell (7,362, 1998-2001) and Hackleburg's Donnie Gosha (7,348, 1990-95), according to the AHSAA Record Book. See the "Sports section" for more on the Elba/Luverne football game.

(Photo by Linda Hodge, Editor)

Elba city clerk gives Davis Street road closure

During the Elba City Council meeting Monday evening, Aug. 26, Elba City Clerk Sally Bane said city officials had spoken with Senator Josh Carnley and Alabama Department of Transportation leaders to enlist any assistance they can provide.

She further said the city is continuing to work with

Southern Engineering to move the repair project forward.

"Two guys from ALDOT have already been here [to look at the problem area] and we hope to get some more here either this week or next," she said.

No further details were provided on the progress of the project from the mayor or

city council members. The city clerk announced that Monday, Aug. 23, was the first day of the 2025 Municipal Election for potential candidates to raise funds.

In his report to council members, Police Chief Shayne Arnett said the police department had received 606 calls for service over the past month. He said officers had writtend 95 warnings, and 83 tickets as well.

"We took a total of 65 reports, 21 arrests and worked two traffic accidents," Arnett added.

Mayor Tom Maddox said, "You've been busy," when Arnett presented those numbers.

Council member Jane Brunson noted seeing a high presence of officers on the U.S. Highway 84 area recently as she said she travels that stretch a lot more now due to the E. Davis Street closure. She wondered if that is normal, and Chief Arnett said his office receives a lot of complaints on speeding in the area she questioned.

The Elba City Council will hold a public hearing Monday, Sept. 9, at 5:15 p.m. to consider the city's proposed redistricting plan. The next regular meeting for the Elba City Council will be Monday, Sept. 9, at 5:30 p.m.

NOTICE:

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Area Happenings

City of Elba offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. The garbage truck will run its regular route on Monday.

The Elba Elementary School PTO will meet Thursday, Sept. 5, at 5:30 p.m. at the school. **The Elba High School PTO** also will meet at 6:30 p.m.

The Evergreen Cemetery Board will meet Thursday, Sept. 5, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall. These meetings are open to the public.

Elba City Schools will hold two Annual Budget Hearings Tuesday, Sept. 10. The budget will be presented at 12 noon during a Special Called Board Meeting then again at 5:30 p.m. during the board's regular monthly meeting. Board members will vote on the budget for the 2024-2025 school year during the regular meeting. The public is invited to attend both of these budget hearings.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL WILL CELEBRATE HOMECOMING Friday, Sept. 13th. The theme is "Let's Get Ready to Rumble!" There will be a Pep Rally/Bonfire Thursday evening [Sept. 12th] at 6:30 p.m. on the school campus. The Homecoming Queen Coronation will be held Friday morning at 9 followed by a pep rally in the Elba High School stadium. Visitors for the coronation and pep rally will need to sit on the visitor's side of the stadium. EHS will honor the Class of 1994 with a tea Friday at 1 p.m. in the Family and Consumer Science Department. The parade line up will begin at 1:30 with the parade promptly beginning at 3. Parade entries may be entered by contacting Elba High School at 897-2266 OR going online to the Elba High School Facebook Page and completing the online form (preferred). The Homecoming Court will be presented Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. followed by the football game with Kinston at 7 p.m.

EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2024, through Monday, Aug. 26, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Tuesday, Aug. 20 – Suspicious circumstances reported in area of Industrial Blvd and Hickman Ave (9:28 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 595 Collier St (9:45 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Claxton Ave N (11:33 a.m.); Electrocutation reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (3:15 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Martin Luther King Dr (8:12 p.m.). Eleven traffic stops resulted in six written warnings, four citations, and one verbal warning.

Wednesday, Aug. 21 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 987 Drayton Ave (6:33

p.m.). Twelve traffic stops resulted in five written warnings, four citations, and three verbal warnings.

Thursday, Aug. 22 – Animal complaint reported at 966 County Rd 401 (7:09 a.m.). Three traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and two citations.

Friday, Aug. 23 – Harassment reported at 987 Drayton Ave (8:15 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at bypass and Chevron store (11:04 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Caroline St – w/arrest (4:23 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in five written warnings, one verbal warning, and one citation.

Saturday, Aug. 24 – Trespassing reported at 921 Martin Luther King Dr (1:42 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 615 Jackson Ave (3:50 p.m.); Report of shots fired at 1456 Claxton Ave N (4:30 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 230 Hickman Ave W, Kinston (9:25 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 1310 Stoudemire St (10:36 p.m.); Reckless driver reported in area of Hwy 141 and Hwy 84 – w/citation issued (11:40 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in four written warnings, and

two citations.

Sunday, Aug. 25 – Verbal altercation reported at 1560 Reese Ave (12:10 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at Reese Ave and Hickman Ave (1:07 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at Hwy 87 and Davis St E (1:16 a.m.); Reckless driver reported at Hwy 84 and Salem Rd (9:09 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 660 Lee St (10:49 p.m.). Seventeen traffic stops resulted in nine verbal warnings, seven written warnings, and one citation.

Monday, Aug. 26 – Animal complaint reported at 661 Davis St E – w/impound (8:44 a.m.); Reckless driver reported on Martin Luther King Dr (7:32 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in one citation, five written warnings, and one verbal warning.



Officer Installation for the Opp Masonic Lodge #605 was held earlier this month during a joint ceremony with the Elba Masonic Lodge #170 in Elba. Some members of the Opp Lodge also are plural members of the Elba Lodge. A good time was had by all during the evening. Those pictured above include: (bottom row, l to r) Chaplain Donald Joseph Phillips, S/D Jerry Heath Calhoun, J/D Derrick Alan Cain, and Tiler James Stephen (Steve) Graves; (middle row, l to r) J/W Austin Duane Anderson, and Paul Junior Adams; and (top row, l to r) W/M Brian Lindsey Smith and PGM Installing Officer Brother Jamie Smith.

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Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Sister has always had this crazy trace of luck where she runs into people with some sort of 'fame' and it again happened one recent Friday night.

Now, this occurrence was not nearly as funny as the time she met the members of the rap group Freak Nasty. On that particular meeting, Sister and her then boyfriend were shopping in a music store when she got the boyfriend's attention and said, "Look. It's the members of Freak Nasty over there at the counter!" He did not believe her, but she insisted she was correct. So, Sister took one of their CD's to purchase and she walked up to the young men and asked them to sign the CD before she purchased it. The politely agreed to do it, and they even gave her a free copy of another CD they had with them!

The 'ole boyfriend had egg on his face, which made the story even better in Cuzin Lou Lou's mind.

When Sister got home that evening, she was trying to tell Lou Lou and Papa about meeting 'Freak Nasty' but she could barely get the words out because she was practically hyperventilating...she was way too excited!

For years now, Lou Lou has enjoyed reminding Sister of her reaction to that chance meeting, and they laugh each and every time.

Now, back to the recent Friday night.

Sister and Lou Lou were at rather large entertainment venue enjoying their evening, when a man approached them. Neither had noticed him approaching before he said to Sister, "Excuse me, ma'am, but where did you get that tee-shirt you are wearing?" Sister turned around and said, "Umm...from your website."

Turns out, Sister had been following this social media

influencer that is a policeman by trade but uses his social platform to raise awareness for depression and other similar things. In support of that, he created a tee-shirt line that features encouraging quotes on the shirts. The one Sister was wearing that night relayed the message "You Are Enough."

The two enjoyed a several minute conversation, and the young man thanked Sister for supporting his cause by purchasing the shirt. The very next day, Sister happened to catch a live stream from him where he was talking about with other followers that he had met someone the night before that had purchased one of his shirts, and how much that meant to him.

The coolest thing Lou Lou got from the whole thing was this... A friend of the influencer was the first to actually see Sister wearing the t-shirt. He had told him there was a lady wearing one of his shirts in the venue.

He could have let it go at that, but instead, he searched the entire place until he found Sister. He reason...he wanted to meet her and tell her 'thank you' for purchasing the shirt.

That same day, Sister had been down a bit from having a bad day, but that one chance encounter changed here whole demeanor.

Now, she didn't hyperventilate or anything like that in meeting this young man, but she did get a good reality check in that we ALL MATTER, and you never know when something as simple as buying a t-shirt can make a big difference to another person. Two people received an unexpected blessing that night, and Cuzin Lou Lou was just proud to be able to be there and witness it for them both!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling.

Windy Thoughts with Linda Hodge, Editor

We have received several comments from citizens over the past few weeks thanking us for bringing attention to the unkempt grounds on the lot of the former Burger King business in downtown Elba. Our hope was the mention of just how bad that lot currently looks with grass and weeds growing higher and higher each day would generate some movement to get it cleaned up. However, that has yet to happen. It has become clear to us since our first writing on the matter that we are not the only one concerned over it. Again, we plead with the powers that be to "do something" to get this area cleaned up...or at least cut the grass.

Homecoming is only a few weeks away in Elba, and we certainly would be embarrassed for Elba alumni to come home, ride floats in the parade and have to see that unkempt mess. Yes, it is the responsibility of the property owner to do all this, BUT, sometimes ordinances, laws, etc. must be enforced to get action. It is past time for that to take place on the old Burger King lot in downtown Elba.

Another thing that irks us a bit is the misuse of the dumpster the city has in place behind the old recycle building (the high school gym prior to the 1990 flood), also in the downtown area. A year or two ago, the city placed that dumpster in its current location to allow Elba citizens not wanting to wait on the trash truck to make its way on their road to take their large trash items [which would normally be put out by the road for pickup] and place those items in the dumpster. We have loved having that dumpster in place and often make use of it for the purpose it was intended. What bothers us is when we dump our trash only to find that others have placed household garbage in there as well. That is not what the dumpster is there for, and we wish folks would do better! We want the city to keep the dumpster in place so we can continue to use it properly, and we ask others to do so as well.

We were again saddened over the weekend to learn of another Alabama high school football player dying. This time, it was a young man from the Selma, Alabama area and he died from an apparent brain injury sustained during the football game. Stories, such as this and the one from our own area a few weeks ago, are never easy to hear. All we can do is pray for those who knew these young people - their families, friends, etc.

City of Elba officials are gathering information trying to determine if the city would be better served to change residential garbage pickup to a contracted service rather than a city operated service. We are not sure where we stand on the matter currently. City officials are wondering if contracting the services would be less costly for the city because it would cut down on equipment purchases, repairs, employee costs, etc. for the garbage pickup service. A contracted company would provide all those things, and the city/citizens would simply pay a fee for the service. That all sounds good if the money is right, but our concern is always in making sure the company that is potentially chosen to be the service provider does indeed get the job done properly. We have thought the city, overall, has done a good job with the residential garbage pickup service since it took it over several years ago [the service was being contracted before the city took it over at that time]. With that in mind, if the city does decide to move forward with again contracting the services rather than keep it an in-house service, we encourage the city leaders to look long and hard at the potential providers and work to try and attain the one that will provide the best and most dependable service to the citizens and businesses.

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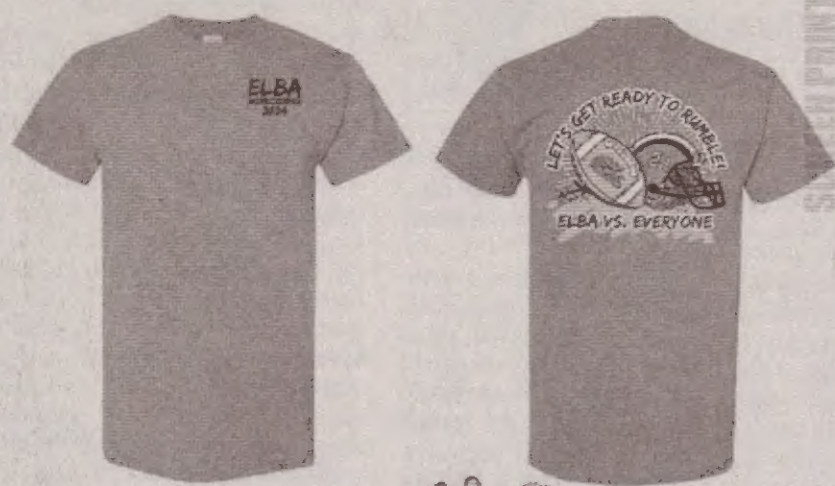
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Check eligibility for Social Security spouse's benefits

By Kylie' D. McKinney
Alabama Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

Social Security helps you secure today and tomorrow with financial benefits, information, and tools that support you through life's journey. If you don't have enough Social Security credits to get benefits on your own record, you may be able to receive benefits as a spouse. Your spouse must be receiving benefits for you to get benefits on their record. If your spouse does not receive retirement or disability, you'll have to wait to apply on your spouse's record.

In addition, to be eligible for spouse's benefits, you must be one of the following:
62 years of age or older.

Any age if you have a child who is younger than 16 in your care or has a disability and is entitled to benefits on your spouse's record.

If you wait until you reach full retirement age to receive benefits, you'll receive your full spouse's benefit amount, which is up to one-half the amount your spouse receives. You'll also get your full spouse's benefit if you are under full retirement age, but care for a child and one of the following applies:

ADPH announces testing for genetic disorders in newborns

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) is excited to announce that on July 29, 2024, the Bureau of Clinical Laboratories began testing for two treatable genetic disorders. Newborn screening can alert healthcare providers to the potential for a condition that is typically not apparent at birth. With a simple blood screen and treatment, most affected babies have the opportunity to avoid death and disability and grow up healthy and develop normally.

The new disorders added to Alabama's newborn screening panel are described as follows:

Pompe disease is a rare genetic disorder caused by a deficiency of an enzyme resulting in the build-up of stored sugar, leading to severe muscle weakness. The disease can be fatal without early detection and treatment.

Mucopolysaccharidosis Type I (MPS I) is a rare genetic disorder caused by a deficiency in an enzyme resulting in the buildup of toxic materials in cells. There is wide severity and age of onset with the most severe form (Hurler syndrome) beginning within the first year of life.

Close coordination is needed for newborn screening follow-up. For these two conditions, the ADPH is partnering with

the University of Alabama at Birmingham to evaluate and confirm diagnosis, and ADPH provides information to healthcare providers and families for appropriate treatment.

The ADPH Bureau of Clinical Laboratories is the sole provider of blood analysis of newborn screening in Alabama. ADPH identifies approximately 200 babies each year with a metabolic, endocrine, hematological, or other congenital disorder. These babies usually look and act healthy at birth.

For additional information, please visit <https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/heritable-disorders/ruspan> and <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/newbornscreening/index.html>

The child is younger than age 16.
The child has a disability and is entitled to benefits on your spouse's record.

If you receive retirement on your own record, we will pay that amount first. If your benefits as a spouse are higher than your own benefit, you will get a combination of benefits that equals the higher spouse's benefit.

Consider this example: Sandy is eligible for a monthly retirement benefit of \$1,000 and a spouse's benefit of \$1,250. If she waits for Social Security until her full retirement age, she will receive her own \$1,000 retirement benefit. We will add \$250 from her spouse's benefit, for a total of \$1,250 a month. Sandy only gets an additional spouse's benefit because her own benefit is less than half her spouse's full retirement age benefit.

Want to apply for either your retirement or your spouse's benefits or both? Are you at least 61 years and 9 months old? If you answer yes to both, visit www.ssa.gov/benefits/retirement to get started today.

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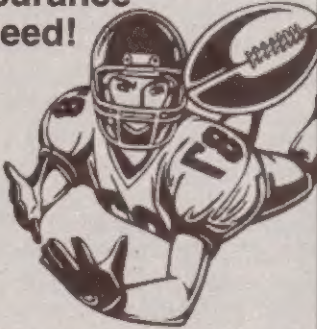
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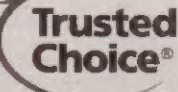
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JAMES (JIM) OSCAR COLES III

Mr. Jim Coles, age 78, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, Aug 5, 2024, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Fla. He was air

lifted there after a cardiac arrest attack at his home in Elba.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, Sept. 1, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church in Elba.

Jim served his country all his adult life. He joined the Army in 1973 as a Specialist 4 at Ft. Bliss, Texas, and became a post writer. He was sent to Darmstadt, Germany as writer for the European Stars and Stripes newspaper. From there he went to Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. He left the Army to join civil service as a public affairs specialist. His career took him to Yuma Proving Grounds in Arizona, then to Ft. Leavenworth in Kansas, and on to Seoul, Korea as chief of US Forces Korea Public Affairs, H Q. He was there for eight years and finally moved on to Ft. McPherson in Atlanta, Ga.

When he retired in 2004 he chose the peaceful country life of Elba, but he wasn't done. He joined MPRI as a civilian to go to Afghanistan for a year to help support the US forces positioned there.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years: Janine Coles; two daugh-

ters: Kimberly (Scott) Shuffler and Tiana (Chris) Lee; two sons: James (Becky) O Coles IV and Heath (Erin) Coles; and 11 grandchildren.

DONNIE WAYNE QUALLS

Mr. Donnie Wayne Qualls, age 67, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, August 26, 2024, at his residence in Elba.

Funeral services will be held from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel on Friday, August 30, 2024, at 2 p.m., with Rev. Donnie Marler officiating. Burials will follow in the Evergreen Cemetery. Visitation will be at Hayes Funeral Home on Thursday, August 29, from 6-8 p.m.

Donnie was preceded in death by his parents - Fred and Pauline Bowden Qualls, and brother - Ronnie Qualls. Survivors include his sons: Douglas Blake (Gabby) Qualls, Dothan, Ala., and Bryan Wesley (Kylie) Qualls, Pelham, Ala.; daughter: Cristy Elaine Byrd, Jack, Ala.; granddaughters: Lexxie Childs, Jack, Baylee Qualls, Pelham, Riley Kate Qualls, Headland, Ala., Bailey Kate Davis, Pelham, and Brylie Davis, Pelham; grandson: Hayden Qualls, Pelham; and his sister: Patsy Jordan, Elba.

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How do you guarantee today's prices will be honored when services are needed?

Do your pre-payment plans cover all the services I want, or will there be extra charges later?

What payment options do you offer (lump sum, installments, insurance policies)?

How will you secure my pre-paid money (trust, insurance, other)?

What happens if the funeral home goes out of business? Is my money protected?

Are there any state regulations that protect pre-need funeral funds?

Can I get a refund if I change my mind? Are there any fees associated with this?

What happens if I move to a different area? Can I transfer my plan to a different funeral home?

Can I make changes to the services I've selected in my pre-payment plan?

Do you offer any discounts or special pricing for pre-payment plans?

Can you provide references or testimonials from families who have used your pre-payment services?

Are you a member of any reputable funeral industry organizations?

Important: Don't be afraid to ask questions until you're completely comfortable. A reputable funeral home will be transparent and patient in explaining their pre-payment options.

Tip: Take notes during your discussions and have the funeral home provide written copies of any price lists or contracts.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at hayesfh@hayesfuneralhome.net

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CHURCH NEWS

ROUND AND ABOUT
w/ ERIA'S DAUGHTER
334-282-2200



What does the Bible say about... Examine Ourselves?

Article written by Douglas Williams



Please join us to celebrate

Al English's 75th Birthday

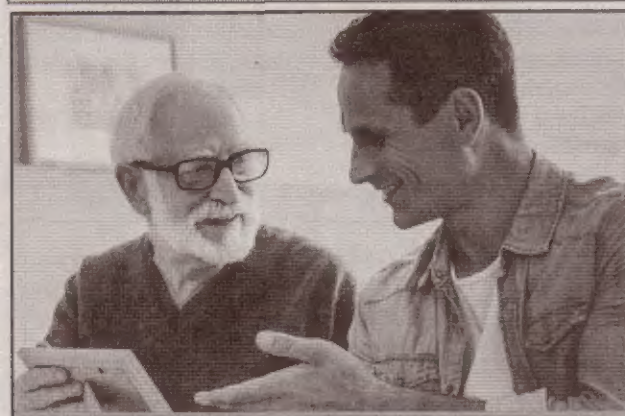
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Military Support Group Meetings in Enterprise:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.



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Join Us for Prayer Over Elba & Surrounding Communities

Theme: "City Of Flowing Wells"
Scripture- John 4: 13-14

Prayer
Calling All Pastors, Congregations,
Intercessors, Community Leaders, First
Responders

Date: Mon 9/9/24
Time: 6:00pm
606 Simmons St.
First Baptist Church
Elba, AL 36323

Pastor Kit Johnson(Host Pastor)
Bishop M.D. Luckett(Prayer Coordinator)

Scriptures: Psalm 142:
1-7

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Ministers, Nursing Home Patients, World Peace, Less Fortunate, Single Mothers, Sick & Shut-Ins, Tommie Mae Davis, Marcus Fitch, Louisco Moultry

September Birthdays / Anniversaries

Samantha Siler 9/1
Wiley and Juanita B. Brooks 9/1 W.A.
Tracey Wood 9/2
Winston Tyrone Kelley Jr. 9/3
Georgia Germany 9/5
Derrick "DJ" Belcher 9/5
Alene Robinson 9/5
Alex Wright 9/5
Richard Kyles 9/6
Iverson Kelley 9/7
Curtis Smith Jr. 9/8

Homecoming and Revival Services for New Friendship Baptist Church of Red Level,

Ala. will be next week. Homecoming will be Sunday, Sept. 1, at 2 p.m. Speaker will be Rev. W.O. Edwards of Star Hope Baptist Church, Luverne, Ala. Revival services will be Sept. 2-4 at 7 p.m. nightly. Speaker for Revival will be Larry Blackmon, pastor of CWFF Temple #113, McKenzie, Ala.

Unnecessary Gentleness

One of Bud Blake's Tiger comic strips shows a group of children playing football. One little boy stands and watches as a girl carries the football tight past him. When he is asked why he didn't tackle her, he replies, "I was afraid I would hurt her." Later, on his way home, he is complaining about what happened to him. He says, "I got thrown out for unnecessary gentleness." In certain sports, a player is sometimes thrown out for unnecessary roughness, but never for unnecessary gentleness!

In life and work of the church, we must learn to be gentle. We must follow Paul's admonition to

walk "with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love [Ephesians 4:2]. Roughness is always unnecessary in the church. Love is to be the trademark that identifies followers of Jesus [John 13:35]. Love demands courtesy and kindness. Love demands that we learn how to disagree without being disagreeable. Love desires to handle both the sinning believer [Galatians 6:1] and the one who requires further instruction [2 Timothy 2: 24, 25] gently. If we exercise gentleness, we can keep the unity of the church intact. If we fail to be gentle - if we use "unnecessary roughness" with others - we risk dividing the body of Christ. Even the soldiers who crucified Jesus would not divide the robe of Christ. Let us not be guilty of dividing the body of Christ. -R.C.S.

Question / Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 8/29/24

Q: What did Eli tell Samuel to say to the Lord?

A: "Speak Lord; for thy servant heareth." [I Samuel 13:9]

Q: What was the name of the stone that Samuel set up to commemorate Israel's victory over the Philistines?

A: Ebenezer [I Samuel 7:12]

Q: Who told the people that Saul "hid himself among the stuff?"

A: the Lord [I Samuel 10:22]

Thought to Remember

If we pause to think, we will have cause to thank.

Questions for 9/5/24

Q: From which tribe of Israel was Saul?

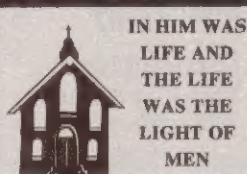
Q: From among whose sons did the Lord say He would provide Israel a king?

Q: What was David doing when he was summoned to appear before Samuel?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

Church Directory



IN HIM WAS
LIFE AND
THE LIFE
WAS THE
LIGHT OF
MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.

Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHELEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

Remonia Smith, Pastor
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal" 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

EAON BAPTIST CHURCH

Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD DAVID NOBLE, PASTOR

Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 7:00 p.m.
Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Billy Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH

Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH

Overseer - Billy Berry
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP

John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC

W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC

Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH

Danny Branch, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Heath Fountain, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH

Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH

Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Lorearl Flowers, Minister
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

PINE GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON

Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

PRAISE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER

Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH

A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH

Kerry Saxon, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME

James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship... 12 noon
Even. Service... 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon... 10:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba

Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

James Preachers, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH

Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE

Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship...

LEGAL NOTICES (con't from Page 5)

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ALBERT JOSEPH BUCHINSKY, JR., DECEASED.
CASE NO. 8597

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary on the estate of said deceased, Albert Joseph Buchinsky, Jr., having been granted to Charles W. Fleming, Jr., on the 15th day of July, 2024, by the Honorable Toby Seay, Probate Judge of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
Charles W. Fleming, Jr. (FLE005)
Attorney for Petitioner
Post Office Box 758
Geneva, Alabama 36340
8/15,22&29-pd.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

State of Alabama
County of Coffee
Probate Court Case No.: PR-2024-139

In the Matter of the Estate of Willie Lee Sanders, deceased.

Letters of Administration on the estate of said decedent having been granted to Ed Parish, Jr. on the 9th day of August, 2024, by the Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly sworn to, in the Probate Court of said county within the time allowed by law or else will be forever barred.
Ed Parish, Jr.
Administrator/Personal Representative of the Estate of Willie Lee Sanders, deceased

The Parish Law Firm
323 Adams Avenue (36104)
Post Office Box 52
Montgomery, AL 36101-0052
(334) 263-0003
(334) 263-0032 Fax
8/15,22&29-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF DAVID TAYLOR YOUNG, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. PR-2024-094

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO OPEN INTESTATE ESTATE

You will please take notice that on the 22nd day of May, 2024, a certain instrument in writing, titled Petition to Open Intestate Estate was filed by Marcia Young, the surviving spouse of David Taylor Young and that the 2nd day of October, 2024, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. was appointed the day for the hearing of the same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise Division, Alabama at which time you may appear and contest same, if you see proper.
Done, this the 12th day of August, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Jodee R. Thompson
Probate Judge
8/15,22&29-pd.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR COMPLETION

LEGAL NOTICE

"Notice is hereby given that Rothel Moody Contracting, Inc. has completed all work on **Drainage & Road Improvements, CDBG Project No. LR-CM-PF-22-010** for the City of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama." All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project

should immediately notify the above-named Contractor and Sally Bane, City Clerk, 200 Buford Street, Elba, Alabama 36323. All claims should be filed within 30 days of the final publication of this notice.
8/22,29&9/5-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of RUTH SCHNELLER, Deceased.

Case No. 24-800

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Tammy Roberts Dowling, as Executor of the Estate of Ruth Schneller, who departed from this life on the 26th day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or same will be barred.
Tammy Roberts Dowling,
Personal Representative of the Estate of Ruth Schneller

Attorney for Estate:
David W. Rousseau, Esq.

Post Office Box 10
801 W. Main Suite 4
Hartford, AL 36344
(334) 588-3333
(334) 588-0046 (fax)
8/22,29,&9/5-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF GERALD RICHARD SORRELLS, Deceased.
CASE NO.: 24-765

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Joni Antionette Lynn, Personal Representative, on the 13th day of August, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate Court of Geneva County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
Joni Antionette Lynn
Personal Representative
8/22,29,&9/5-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM LEX LAWRENCE, DECEASED
DOCKET NO. 24-773

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF BRENDA HAMAMURA TO PROBATE THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM LEX LAWRENCE, DECEASED

To: David Lawrence, Brenda Lawrence, Mason Oakes, Any and All Other Heirs of William Lex Lawrence

Please take notice that a Petition by Brenda Hamamura for the Probate of the Last Will and Testament of William Lex Lawrence, deceased, having been filed in the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that given that a hearing has been set for the 16th day of September, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. at the Geneva County Probate Court located at 200 N. Commerce Street, Geneva, Alabama 36340. All persons having interest in this matter must appear at said time and place if not otherwise

notified.

Attorney for Petitioner:
Benjamin S. Armstrong
200 Grove Park Lane, Suite 670

Dothan, AL 36305

8/22,29,9/5&12-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE ESTATE OF BILLY J. CARDWELL, DECEASED,

CYNTHIA JOHNSON
C A R D W E L L ,
ADMINISTRATOR
CASE NO.: 8609

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that Jeffery D. Hatcher, Attorney at Law, by virtue of Decree entered by the Probate Court of Geneva County, Alabama will sell to the highest bidder the real property of the Estate of Billy J. Cardwell, deceased, parcel # 18-04-20-3-016-025.000 located at 125 East Campbell Avenue, Geneva, Alabama.

The auction shall be held on-site at Geneva County Courthouse, 200 North Commerce St. at 10:00 a.m. on the 23rd day of September 2024, and payment will be required by certified funds and/or a Letter of Credit from a Financial Institution within two (2) business days. The property may be viewed at 125 East Campbell Avenue Geneva, Alabama 36340.
E S T A T E
ADMINISTRATOR
RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

For more information contact:

Jeffery D. Hatcher, Attorney for the Estate
P.O. Box 189, Geneva, Alabama 36340
(334) 684-8524

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF GENEVA COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of Sandra Jean Thompson, Deceased
Case No.: 24-802

NOTICE

TAKENOTICE, that Letters of Administration having been granted to Alfred J. Danner, as Administrator of the Estate of Sandra Jean Thompson, deceased, on the 22nd day of August, 2024, by the Honorable Toby L. Seay, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or same will be barred.

/s/ Toby L. Seay

Toby L. Seay, Probate Judge
8/29,9/5&12-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DEWAYNE MORRIS, Deceased.

CASE NO.: PR 2024-149

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Chris Morris, as Personal Representative of the estate of Dewayne Morris, deceased, on the 23rd day of August, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate

8/29,9/5&12-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES L. MARTIN, JR., Deceased
Case No.: PR-2024-151

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Leslie Martin Whitlock, Personal Representative, on the 26th day of August, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge for Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.
DONE this the 26th day of August, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

Jodee R. Thompson,
Probate Judge
8/29,9/5&12-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JAMES RICKEY HATAWAY, DECEASED.
CASE NO. PC-2024-025

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 20th day of August, 2024, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Elba Division, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Lejune Davis

Lejune Davis

8/29,9/5&12-pd.

ORDINANCE # 08262024B

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AS ALLOWED BY SECTION 18-59 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF ELBA, ALABAMA.

Upon consideration by the council and review of the present ordinance governing Business License and Special event permits under said ordinance, the council now finds it appropriate to amend Section 18-59 effective January 1, 2025, as follows:

Sec. 18-59. - License fee schedules.

Schedule "L"

Special Events Licenses

(a) Any promoter or sponsor of an event within the city limits of Elba, AL that includes vendors who would be subject to the customary requirements of a business license shall make application to the city council for a special event license no less than 30 days prior to the planned event. Upon application the matter will be considered by the city council for approval. Upon approval the promoter shall comply with the following special event license categories. All Promoter shall report to the business license office at city hall a list of the vendors it has registered at least 3 days prior to the event. The planned event shall not exceed 3 days in duration.

(1) Special Event with 10 or fewer vendors, \$150.00. Promoter shall be issued 10 business license vouchers to be assigned to designated vendors who are registered with the promoter and displayed in the vendor's truck/booth/or space.

(2) Special Event with 10-20 vendors, \$250.00. Promoter shall be issued 20 business license vouchers to be assigned to designated vendors who are registered with the promoter and displayed in the vendor's truck/booth/or space.

(3) Special Event with 20-30 vendors, \$350.00. Promoter shall be issued 30 business license vouchers to be assigned to designated vendors who are registered with the promoter and displayed in the vendor's truck/booth/or space.

Failure by the promoter to timely apply for special event recognition will result in all vendors being required to have regularly issued Elba business license.

Each vendor not registered with the promoter and displaying special event license shall be subject to standard Elba business license.

Any vendor that is subject to health and safety certifications under separate provisions of law shall be likewise compliant.

(4) Any Special Event so permitted under this Schedule "L" that rents or uses facilities belonging to the City of Elba or where the event will take place upon the streets of the City of Elba shall provide evidence of special event insurance coverage naming the "City of Elba, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers" as additional insured parties.

minimum \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence/\$2,000,000.00 aggregate coverage

Carnival or street fair. For each place where said street fair is conducted and for a duration not exceeding one week. No more than ten exhibitions. License to be approved by city council. Where more than ten exhibitions, license to be approved by city council.

(b) Circus. Each person operating circus, for each exhibition where seating capacity is:

(1) Less than 2,000 per day \$100.00

(2) Two thousand or more per day 200.00

(c) Concert. Musical entertainments and/or public lecturer, when charges are made for admission, not given wholly for charity, school or religious purpose, when not sponsored by an approved organization, per day 75.00

(d) Dog and pony shows. Where admission is charged, per day 75.00

Shall not apply to athletic or other exhibitions.

(e) Menagerie, museum. For each menagerie or museum where not in connection with a circus 75.00

(f) Merry-go-round, flying jenny, roller coaster, or other device of like character in each place where operated whether incorporated or not:

(1) Per month 100.00

(2) Per week 75.00

(g) Wildlife exhibit:

(1) Per day 20.00

(2) Per week 75.00

(3) Per month 125.00

(h) Motion picture show, per screen 150.00

(i) Motion picture show, drive-in, plus retail merchant 150.00

(j) Theatrical show. Vaudeville, variety show, or exhibition or performance to which admission is charged, per week 100.00

Duly Passed and Adopted this 26th day of August, 2024,

CITY OF ELBA, ALABAMA

By: _____

Its Mayor

Attest: _____

City Clerk

8/29-chg

STATE OF ALABAMA PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF COFFEE

PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING UPCOMING 2024 ALABAMA STATE-WIDE GENERAL ELECTION

Pursuant to §21-4-23(b), of the *Code of Alabama* (1975), notice is hereby given of the following with regard to Coffee County, Alabama:

Instructions, printed in large type, conspicuously displayed at each voter registration site and polling place, sufficient to provide hearing impaired and seriously visually impaired individuals with adequate information as to how and where they may register and vote.

Each polling place shall have an ExpressVote Voter Assist Terminal for use by individuals with disabilities who would otherwise be prevented from voting because of their inability to mark a paper ballot.

Absentee ballots are available to any individuals with a disability or elderly individual who, because of disability or age, is unable to go to their assigned polling place to vote on election day. The deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot is the same as it is for other persons seeking to vote by absentee ballot.

Every individual, including individuals with a disability or elderly individuals, may select a person on his or her choice to accompany such individual into the polling place to assist with the marking and casting of a ballot, provided the person providing assistance is not the voting individual's employer, agent of voting individual's employer, or an officer or agent of the voting individual's labor union. The Alabama General Election shall be held on November 5, 2024.

Jodee R. Thompson
Judge of Probate
8/29-chg.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From
The Pressbox
By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

We celebrated our youngest grandson Cannon's second birthday back a few weeks ago and now are making plans to help make our oldest grandson Lawson's 14th birthday one that will also be special. I told him a few years ago I would give him my truck when he turned fifteen. So, I guess this year's present will have to come from the store.

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers opened their season with a bang Friday night as they rode the 1-2 punch of Alvin Henderson and Cayden Adkins in a dominating 50-22 romp past Luverne. The Tigers lost a fumble on their initial possession of the season, but scored on the next four possessions of the first half to open up a big halftime lead and never looked back as they lit up the scoreboard. The duo of Henderson and Adkins combined for 454 yards and seven touchdowns on the ground, and Adkins also passed for 39 yards in his first game as quarterback. While the offense was showing off, the Tiger defense also shined behind the play of Adkins, Emmanuel Cooks and Jacob Watkins as it forced Luverne into a three-and-out on its first three series and didn't allow a first down until midway in the second quarter. The defense appeared to get a little tired in the second half and gave up some points, but never backed down and at times was in complete command at the line of scrimmage. It was a great way to start the season for Elba, and with some really tough opponents coming up right around the corner, hopefully it will give the Tigers a big shot of confidence.

*** It wasn't the best of opening weeks for the teams in the area, although the folks up at Zion Chapel might disagree. Zion Chapel rallied from a six-point lead early in the fourth quarter to rally past Kinston 27-20, and has all the folks up at Jack excited and looking forward to the season. Kinston definitely feels different after the disappointing loss as the Bulldogs lost three fumbles that killed scoring drives and saw the clock run out with them on the seven-yardline, but you know the Kinston faithful are still behind their team and looking for better days ahead, soon. It was a week to forget for New Brockton as the Gamecocks stumbled and fell in a 35-6 loss to Pike Liberal Arts. However, the Gamecock fans are convinced that a big season is ahead and they will make sure their players and coaches know they have lots of support. Brantley didn't play a 'keeper' last week, but dominated 4A Opp for two quarters in a jamboree and all the Bulldog fans are already talking about the post-season and a return to glory.

*** Many of the high school teams across the state hit the field last week to open their seasons and it wasn't the best of weeks for the teams ranked in the preseason polls as 25 ranked teams lost in week one action. Three ranked teams lost in 1A, 2A, 6A and 7A, while five lost in 5A and in 4A seven teams dropped their openers! A few games that caught my eye included 7A power Thompson falling in overtime to Grayson 15-14, 5A Greenville blanking 1A Georgiana 35-0, 7A Carver of Montgomery pounding Vestavia 41-19, 7A Enterprise dominating 5A Andalusia 35-7, Geneva County beginning the 'Al Gilmore era' with a 54-12 win over Pleasant Home, 2A Highland Home clobbered 4A Straughn 38-9, 3A power Houston Academy clobbering 2A G.W. Long, 3A Thomasville spanking 1A Leroy 35-0, and 6A Rehobeth outscoring 3A Ashford 36-29. It may be fun to play up in class, but last week wasn't much fun for a lot of teams.

Many private schools have made the move to the AHSAA in recent years to help eliminate excessive travel in sports and it looks like they have made the move also be a success on the football field since in week one Pike Liberal Arts defeated 4A New Brockton 35-6, Glenwood knocked off 5A Valley 21-20, Tuscaloosa Academy beat up on 4A American Christian 38-24 and Lee Scott hammered 2A Excel 33-16. I don't have a problem with the private schools and public schools playing each other during the

regular season, but still believe when it comes playoff time the private schools should have their own post-season play and let the schools that actually have school zones do their own thing.

*** Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator hit on 13 of his 18 picks last week and despite missing five times actually felt pretty good about his start for the season. He did complain, as always, about trying to pick high school football when a team's success can often be based upon a teenage boy breaking up with his girlfriend or getting grounded for saying the wrong thing to Mom or Dad. However, he left this week's fearless forecast and said he felt good about the picks. Here goes....

ELBA VS. GLENWOOD

The Pea River felines ran up and down the field last week in a big win to open the season, but this week will have to try and avoid a big batch of gators that will be swimming downstream looking to grab the headlines for the second straight week with an upset of the top ranked team in 1A. If the felines get too near the river they could end up fresh bait, but the guess here is they will protect their home turf and escape with an exciting win.

ELBA 26 GLENWOOD 21

ZION CHAPEL VS. ELLWOOD CHRISTIAN

The troops from Fort Jack have a trip planned to Selma this weekend to hunt birds, and if the birds actually find the field it should be an easy win for the men in red. The Eagles never left the nest last week, but hopefully this week will grow enough feathers to at least let the troops get in a little target practice.

ZION CHAPEL 49 ELLWOOD CHRISTIAN 6

KINSTON VS. GENEVA COUNTY

The pack of dogs from down near the county line let one slip away last week and this week will be back on the field looking to find the handle on the ball and figuring out a way to slow down a litter of pups that lit up the scoreboard a week ago. The dogs are hungry and growling after last week's loss, but may have to wait at least another week to find win number one.

GENEVA COUNTY 34 KINSTON 30

NEW BROCKTON VS. SLOCOMB

The roosters should have stayed in the coop last week as they lost more than just a few feathers on a trip across the county line. While the crowing hasn't been as loud this week and the level of excitement seems to have dwindled, it may be because of all the extra work that has been taking place getting ready for week two. This one could be closer than many think.

SLOCOMB 27 NEW BROCKTON 21

BRANTLEY VS. LUVERNE

The pack of dogs that hang out just across the river got in a little extra practice last week down in jamboree and made it clear this year is dedicated to paying folks back for last season's struggles. It is never easy when these two county rivals get together and there is no doubt the intensity will be as high as ever, but the guess here is that the dogs head home barking.

BRANTLEY 33 LUVERNE 22

OTHER PICKS:

Highland Home 27 Charles Henderson 24
Red Level 40 J.F. Shields 18
Daleville 21 Florala 20
Ariton 27 Georgiana 20
McKenzie 29 Prattville Christian 27
Pleasant Home 20 Fruitdale 18
Goshen 28 Alabama Christian 24
Pike Lib 31 Samson 7
Andalusia 35 Hillcrest 0
T.R. Miller 35 Straughn 7
Providence Ch. 24 Northside Methodist 14
G.W. Long 21 Dale County 14
Geneva 22 Wicksburg 16
Opp 27 Northview 21
Houston Academy 21 Pike County 7
Greenville 50 Wilcox Central 0
Rehobeth 17 Carroll 15
Eufaula 22 Russell County 21
Carver 45 Percy Julian 12
Enterprise 49 Pike Road 17

In week two clash with Glenwood

Tigers expect a four quarter battle

The Elba Tigers will kick off a three-game homestand Friday night when they host the Glenwood Gators.

The meeting will be the first ever between the two teams, and while it will be the second straight non-region opponent for the Tigers, it will mark only the second game ever in the AHSAA for the Gators.

Elba won its season opener last week over Luverne 50-22, while Glenwood surprised Valley 21-20.

"Glenwood has been a football power in the private school ranks forever and I am sure it has plans to continue its success against public schools," stated Elba coach Marc Sieving. "Ryan Nelson is in his third season at Glenwood and has led his teams to 18 wins the last two years. Glenwood may be new to the AHSAA. However, it

has been playing football since 1970 and in those 54 years has had winning seasons 38 times. It knows how to play football and wouldn't be coming down here if it expected to lose."

"On offense they are a spread time with three wide receivers on most plays, have a dual threat quarterback and will out the ball in the air and try to get on the corners a lot more than the teams down here," added Sieving. "They are big and physical up front, have good receivers and really play hard on every play. Over on defense they are very physical and tackle well in space. We will have to be better at every position this week than last week and we know it will be a four quarter battle against a very good football team that has very few players that go both ways, which will also

lot better in a lot of places and definitely get off to a better start than we did last week. On offense we have to do what we do, which is running the football, and will also have to take advantage of certain situations to put the ball in the air. We will have to be more balanced on offense and not just line up and look to run folks over. Our defense will be challenged at the line of scrimmage and in the secondary. Their alignment will make us play a lot of man-to-man in the secondary, and that means we have to do our jobs, be sound fundamentally and tackle well in space. We will have to be better at every position this week than last week and we know it will be a four quarter battle against a very good football team that has very few players that go both ways, which will also

challenge us to play more players and be ready for a fight in the fourth quarter."

When asked about last week's 50-22 win over Luverne, Coach Sieving said, "It certainly wasn't the start we had expected, but once we settled in everything went well and we were able to take charge of the game on both sides of the line of scrimmage. The offensive line blocked well and the backs ran hard, and over on defense we were really strong upfront until we got a little tired at times. We got a lot of players in the game, which is always good, and it was a good win against a good opponent. While it was a good win, we made so many mistakes that should not have happened and we have a lot to correct and work on in practice."

All four area teams on the road in week two

The high school football season will enter week two this Friday night and for teams in the area it means a chance to compete against non-region opponents.

Following is a preview of this week's games:

New Brockton at Slocomb

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be on the road for the second straight week when they travel to Slocomb to tangle with the Slocomb Red Tops. The Gamecocks, which lost their season opener 35-6 to Pike Liberal Arts, are 0-6 all-time against the Red Tops, which will be playing in their regular-season opener and struggled to a 2-8 record last season.

Kinston at Geneva County

The Kinston Bulldogs will be back on the road for the second straight week on Friday night when they

head to Hartford for a battle against the Geneva County Bulldogs. Kinston, which lost its season opener to Zion Chapel 27-20, is 2-13 all-time against Geneva County, which is looking to rebound after an 0-10 season a year ago and last week pounded Pleasant Home 54-12.

Zion Chapel at Ellwood Christian

The Zion Chapel Rebels will be on the road to Selma on Friday night when they challenge the Ellwood Christian Eagles. Zion Chapel posted an exciting 27-20 win over Kinston last week in its season opener, while Ellwood Christian cancelled its scheduled opener. The meeting will be the first ever between the two teams, and Ellwood is making a return to the gridiron after not fielding a team for the last two years

after struggling to a 1-38 record the previous four years.

Brantley at Luverne

The Brantley Bulldogs will renew an old and heated rivalry Friday night when they head up to Luverne to battle the Luverne Tigers. Brantley was impressive last week in a preseason jamboree against 4A Opp, while Luverne dropped its season opener to Elba

50-22. Luverne owns a 56-31-3 series edge and has won six of the last eight meetings, including a 28-14 win a year ago. It will mark the regular-season opener for the Bulldogs, who have posted a 54-12 record the last five seasons, while it will be game two for the Tigers, which are under their third different head coach in the last three years.

VOLLEYBALL
SCHEDULE

Thursday, Aug. 29

Luverne at Elba JV-V
Geneva at New Brockton JR-JV-V
Opp at Kinston JR-JV-V
Zion Chapel at G.W. Long JR-JV-V
Brantley at Goshen JR-JV-V

Tuesday, Sept. 3

Elba at Brantley JV-V
Kinston at Zion Chapel JR-JV-V

Thursday, Sept. 5

Elba at Samson JV-V
New Brockton at Straughn JR-JV-V
Pleasant Home at Kinston JR-JV-V
Goshen at Zion Chapel JR-JV-V
Brantley at Opp JR-JV-V

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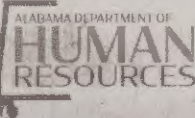
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SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger Cayden Adkins (10) jars the football loose from a Luverne runner in last week's big 50-22 season opening win. Adkins also made a tackle in the endzone in the third quarter for a safety to lead the Tiger defense in the impressive road win.



WHO IS NEXT? Elba Tiger offensive lineman Emmanuel Cooks (62) looks for someone in red to block after sending a would be tackler to the ground in last week's 50-22 road win over Luverne. Elba will host Glenwood Friday night in its home opener.

Tigers run over Luverne 50-22

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor
Photos by BCSports
Photography

The Elba Tigers kicked off the high school football season Friday night at historic Glenn Daniel Stadium, in Luverne, and gave the fans on both sides of the field their money's worth as they rolled to a dominating 50-22 win over the Luverne Tigers.

Elba fumbled the ball away at the Luverne 42-yardline on its first possession of the game, but reached the endzone on its next three possessions to open up a 21-0 lead early in the second quarter.

The first Tiger touchdown came after an 85-yard drive in which it overcame a 21-yard loss

on a fumble and two penalties. A 30-yard pass completion from Cayden Adkins to Jacob Watkins was a key play in the long scoring drive, while Alvin Henderson rushed for 43 yards on three carries and Cayden Adkins capped the drive with an 11-yard scoring dash up the middle. Trai Davis kicked the extra-point and with 5:46 left in the first quarter Elba was on top 7-0.

Elba began its next offensive series at its own 33-yardline after a Luverne punt and this time needed only one play to reach the endzone, as on first down Alvin Henderson found a seam in the Luverne defense and raced 67 yards for a touchdown. David added the extra-point as the

Tigers lead grew to 14-0 with 3:44 remaining in the stanza.

The Tigers next possession began at their own 44-yardline following another Luverne punt and six plays later they were right back in the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 38 yards on just two carries and scored his second touchdown of the half on a 25-yard scamper, and Davis again added the extra-point as Elba's lead went to 21-0 with 10:29 remaining in the second quarter.

Luverne showed signs of life on its ensuing possession and drove 71 yards in 12 plays and ate up over eight minutes off the clock to get on the scoreboard. Elliott Harris rushed for 65 yards on 10 carries and scored on a 33-yard scoring sprint down the sidelines. Aljah Hurst ran in the two-point conversion, and with 2:13 left in the half Luverne had cut the Elba advantage to 21-8.

Elba had a quick answer for the Luverne score; however, as the Tigers went 69 yards in four plays to regain command. Alvin Henderson scored his third touchdown of the half on a 51-yard dash, and Davis kicked the extra-point as Elba stretched its lead to 28-8 with 39-seconds left in the quarter.

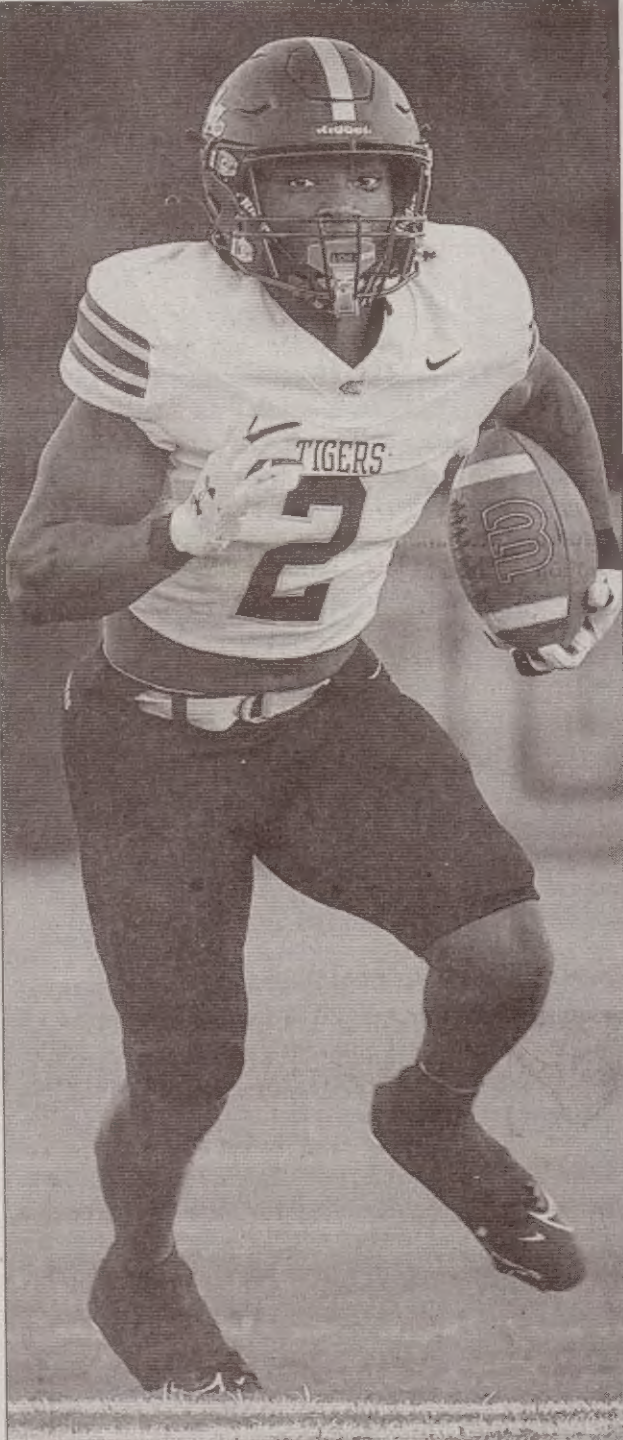
Elba kicked off to begin the second half, but needed only two plays to add to its lead as Cayden Adkins tackled the Luverne quarterback in the endzone for a safety to push the Tigers lead to 30-8 with only 11-seconds gone in the

third quarter.

The Tigers got the ball back near midfield after the ensuing free kick and promptly marched 44 yards in four plays to extend their advantage. Alvin Henderson scored his fourth touchdown of the night on a 34-yard run, and Davis remained perfect with the extra-point as Elba's lead grew to 37-8 with 9:06 remaining in the quarter.

Luverne gave its fans something to cheer about and pulled within 37-14 with 6:55 left in the quarter on a 62-yard touchdown toss from Larry Smith to Elliott Harris, but the sudden score didn't impress the high-powered Elba offense as it scored on its next two possessions to blow the game open!

Cayden Adkins scored his second touchdown of the night with 6:26 remaining in the quarter on a 57-yard dash to cap a two-play, 71-yard scoring drive, and Henderson crossed the goal line for the sixth time with 8:51 left in the fourth quarter on a 1-yard run that was the climax to a 13-play, 53-yard drive. Trai Davis added the extra-point after the Adkins td to push the Elba lead to 44-14, while Brady Johnson missed the final extra-point try of the night for Elba as the scoreboard reached 50 on the Elba side of the board.



Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (2) looks for room to run in last week's big season opening win over Luverne. Henderson rushed for 323 yards and 5 touchdowns in the 50-22 road win.



Elba Tiger cheerleaders had plenty to smile about along the sidelines in last week's win.

Elba Tigers Player of the Week



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SPORTS NEWS



Fourth quarter rally pushes Zion Chapel past Bulldogs 27-20

Statistics by J.W. Adcock
Photos by Amanda Clark and Kinston High School

The Zion Chapel Rebels and Kinston Bulldogs renewed their cross-county football rivalry Friday night and it was the Rebels made it an instant classic as they rallied from a six-point third quarter deficit to claim a wild 27-20 win, in front a large and loud crowd at Green Memorial Stadium.

Zion Chapel received the opening kickoff and promptly went 73 yards in nine plays to get on the scoreboard. John Foster Hamm completed three of four passes for 51 yards to lead the Rebels down the field, with the score coming on a 25-yard touchdown toss from Hamm to Joseph Legear. Hamm also added the extra-point to put Zion Chapel on top 7-0 with 7:22 remaining in the first quarter.

Kinston began its initial offensive series of the season at its own 19-yardline and answered the Rebel score as the Bulldogs marched 81 yards in 15 plays to reach the endzone. A 9-yard third pass from Brant McCollough to Colby Tew was a key play in the long scoring drive, while McCollough and Tew also combined for 60 yards on the ground, with Tew scoring the touchdown on a 1-yard blast. The extra-point try failed; however, and with 1:32 left in the quarter the Rebels lead had been cut to 7-6.

Kinston lost a fumble near midfield on its next possession at the Zion Chapel 38-yardline to stop a potential scoring drive, and then saw disaster strike on its next possession when the Bulldogs fumbled again nearing the goal line, and this time Zion Chapel's Jeremiah Stinson scooped up the loose ball and rambed 99 yards for a Rebel touchdown. Hamm's extra-point was true, and with 1:47 left in the half the Rebels owned a 14-6 advantage.

Kinston began its ensuing possession near midfield after a 39-yard kickoff return by Brant McCollough, and this time the Bulldogs found the handle on the football and stunned the Rebels when McCollough lofted a 52-yard touchdown pass to Gabriel Hataway. The extra-point attempt again failed, but with 1:17 remaining on the clock the Bulldogs were within 1-12.

The Bulldogs lost a fumble at the Zion Chapel 14-yardline on their first possession of the second half, but regained possession near midfield on a Zion Chapel punt and quickly took the lead as on the first play from scrimmage Hataway broke loose and raced 48 yards into the endzone. Colby Tew ran in the two-point conversion, and with 3:52 left in the third quarter Kinston had taken a 20-14 lead.

Kinston failed to take advantage of a successful on-sides kick when it lost another fumble at the Zion Chapel 28-yardline, and again failed to add to its lead early in the fourth quarter when it was stopped on fourth down at the Rebel 18-yardline.

The defensive stand pumped new life into the Rebels, as Zion Chapel took advantage of two major distance penalties against Kinston to cover 82 yards to pull even on the scoreboard. A 22-yard pass from John Foster Hamm to Joseph Legear was a key play in the long scoring drive, while the touchdown came on a 13-yard scamper



Zion Chapel Rebels player and coach celebrate along sidelines after a big play in last week's 27-20 season opening win over Kinston.

'Brockton battered in opener 35-6

Statistics by Brandon White
Courtesy photos

The New Brockton Gamecocks fell behind early and never recovered Friday night in a 35-6 road loss to the Pike Liberal Arts Patriots, in Troy.

Pike Lib's Dawson Bradford and Kade Brookins hooked up on a 13-yard touchdown pass and a 32-yard touchdown pass as the Patriots jumped out to a 14-0 lead early in the second quarter, while Jackson Bowen returned an interception 21 yards for a score midway through the second quarter and Dalton Jordan scored on a 2-yard run after another interception as the Patriots lead grew to 28-0 with 6:32 remaining in the second quarter.

New Brockton got on the scoreboard with 2:48 left in the half on a 5-yard run by Camrin Wolf to go in at the half trailing 28-6, and while Pike Lib added only one touchdown in the second half on Bradford's third td toss of the night, the Gamecocks never threatened and dropped



New Brockton runner finds no room to run in last week's 35-6 season opening loss to Pike Liberal Arts. This week the Gamecocks will travel to Slocumb in a week two match-up.

their season opener 35-6.

Dawson Peacock completed 10 of 15 passes, with two interceptions,

for 68 yards and rushed 9 times for 28 yards to lead the New Brockton offense, while Camrin Wolf rushed for 71 yards and one touchdown on 21 carries and Anthony Silar pulled in 5 catches for 45 yards.

Bryant Crumpler led the Gamecock defense with 8 tackles, while Gavin Hand added 5 tackles and two pass deflections, and Bradyn Crumpler and James Downing both had 3 tackles.

JV FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Sept. 3

Elba at Brantley
New Brockton at Dauphin
Kinston at Florala
Samson at Zion Chapel

All games have a 6:00 pm starting time



New Brockton Gamecock loses the handle on the football in last week's loss to Pike Lib.

Geneva wins 40th Annual Amelia Rhoades Set Off Volleyball Tournament held at Kinston School

Kinston hosted the 40th Annual Amelia Rhoades Set Off Volleyball Tournament last weekend, and the host Lady 'Dawgs finished third in the tourney behind winner Geneva and second place Opp.

Pool 1 action for the day saw Kinston defeat Zion Chapel, Samson defeat Goshen, Kinston defeat Samson, Kinston defeat Goshen, and Samson defeat Zion Chapel. Pool 2 action

saw Opp defeat Brantley, Geneva defeat Pleasant Home, Brantley defeat Pleasant Home, Geneva defeat Brantley, and Opp defeat Pleasant Home.

In the Semi-final matches Opp defeated Kinston, and Geneva defeated Samson. This led to a final match between Geneva and Opp with Geneva claiming the tournament championship.

During the tournament, Kinston's Allyx Williamson

accounted for 66 sets, 37 hits, 10 kills and 82 passes to lead the Lady 'Dawgs. Kinston's Lillie Sumblin also accounted for 50 serves with 15 aces.

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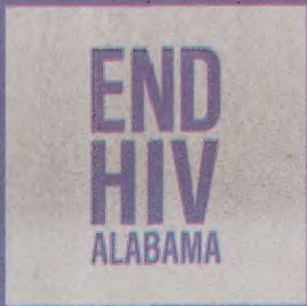
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